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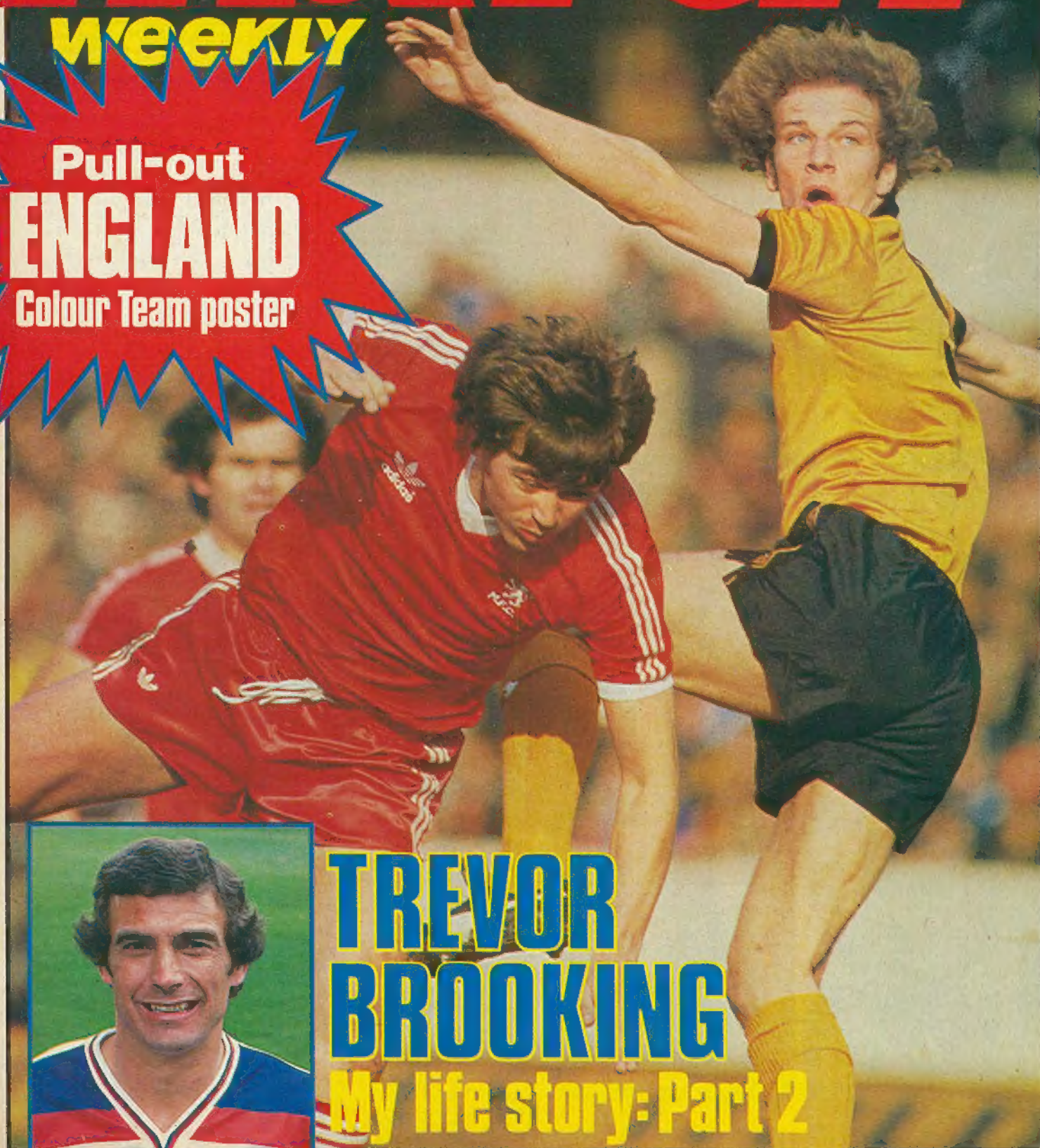
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He won't be 19 until November—but there he was a fortnight



Gary Mills... rising star

ago, surrounded by the likes of Kevin Keegan in Madrid's Bernabeu Stadium, playing his part in ensuring another famous European triumph for Forest.

He showed speed and ability to play his part in containing the flair of favourites Hamburg. And when a tired young man was withdrawn late in the game to be replaced by vastly more experienced John O'Hare, young Gary had played his part on this wonderful night.

As we all saw on television, manager Brian Clough applauded one incident when Mills went on a great run which finished with him sending a powerful shot just over.

Gary has certainly achieved a great deal in a short while. Just think about it! Like many of you now, it's only a short while since coats for posts and make-believe touchlines were Gary's scene. He's made it. So can you!



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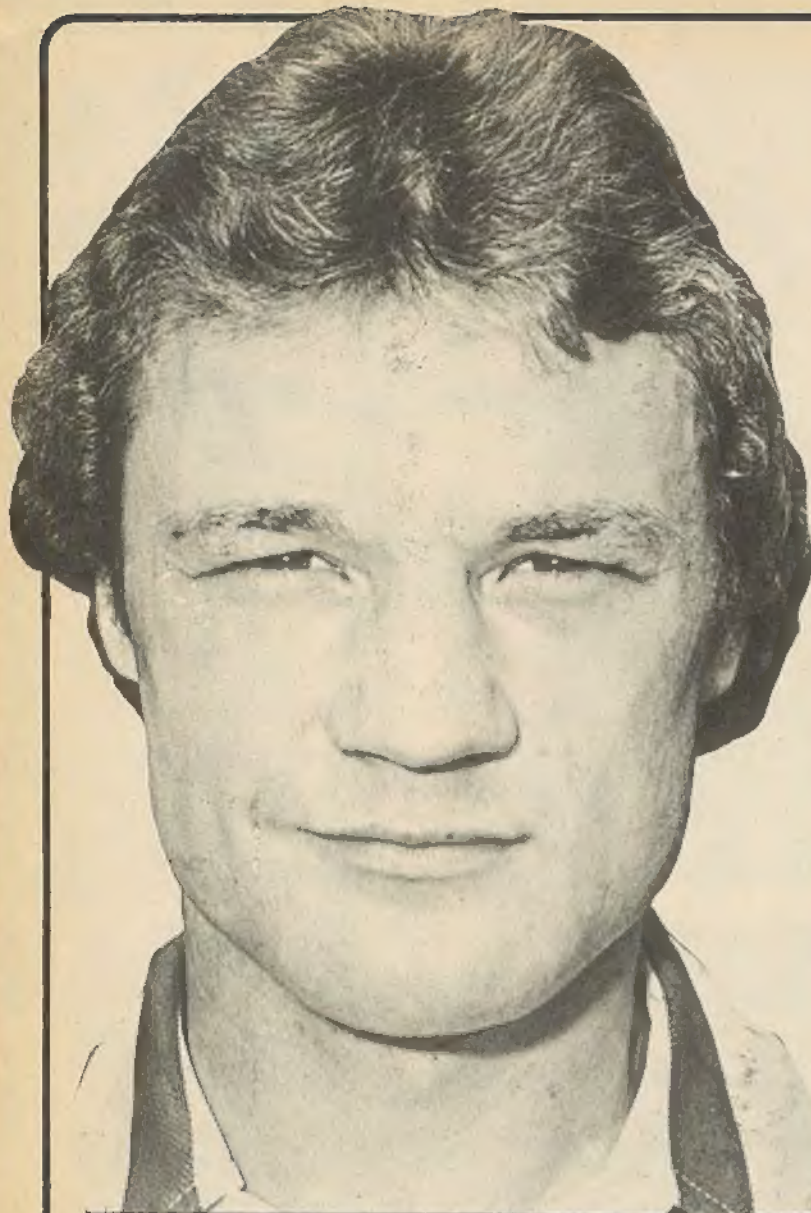
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'I nearly cried in my beer'



DENNIS Rofe goes back to work in the Second Division next month while his former Leicester team-mates celebrate their return to the big time.

A long, hard, season that always promised so much for the likeable full-back had a real sting in its tail.

Chelsea — the team he joined — missed promotion by the narrowest of margins. But Leicester — the team he left behind — went sailing into the top flight.

"Yes it was incredible the way things turned out," Rofe told Match Weekly. "I went for a celebration drink with the Leicester lads and nearly cried in my beer."

"It would have been great if Chelsea had gone up as well but I'm delighted for Leicester. I would have been more disappointed if they had actually

edged us out."

Rofe was sitting at the bar of Chelsea's holiday hotel in Torremolinos when assistant manager Bobby Gould brought news that Sunderland had beaten West Ham in their final game to edge out Chelsea on goal difference.

"He didn't have to say anything — we knew by his expression that Sunderland had done it," Rofe said.

"To be honest it wasn't a major shock to the system. Looking at the game beforehand I couldn't see any way Sunderland would lose. We had ten days to prepare for the disappointment."

After eight years at Filbert Street Rofe returned to his native London in February in an £80,000 deal. But it wasn't because he thought Chelsea a better bet for promotion.

"At the time I considered both teams had an equal chance. But every club and every player can look back over a season and talk in ifs and buts."

"If you draw the first game — as Chelsea did — it doesn't seem too bad at the time. But in the end it could prove so crucial."

"Easter was our downfall. We got just one point from three games — two of which were at home."

BELOW: Dennis Rofe (right) challenges Cardiff City's Constantinos Micallef.



Front page: Andy Gray, Wolves, in determined action against Middlesbrough.



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EURO KINGS

MAIN PICTURE: Forest skipper John McGovern (4) embraces John Robertson after he'd scored the 20th minute match-winner in Madrid as Ian Bowyer (8) and Larry Lloyd (5) join the celebrations.

TOP LEFT: Typical of Forest's victory... a red wall that holds Hamburg at bay. Here John McGovern organises his defence of, from the left, Robertson, Bowyer, Mills and Birtles.

BOTTOM LEFT: Forest hero Peter Shilton, foils Kevin Keegan's flying dive.

TOP RIGHT: We are the champions! Dressing room hi-jinks as Forest celebrate with the Cup. Back row (left to right): Bryn Gunn, Dave Needham, Viv Anderson. Middle row: Martin O'Neil, John Robertson, Jim Montgomery, Peter Shilton, Ian Bowyer, Larry Lloyd, Garry Birtles, John O'Hare,

Kenny Burns and Frank Gray. Front: John McGovern and assistant manager Peter Taylor.

EUROPEAN CUP FINAL

NOTTINGHAM FOREST (1) 1 (Robertson 20)

HAMBURG (W. Germany) (0) 0

Att: 75,000 (in Madrid)

Forest: Shilton 9, Anderson 7, Gray 7 (Gunn), McGovern 8, Lloyd 8, *BURNS 10, O'Neil 8, Bowyer 8, Birtles 9, Mills 7 (O'Hare 7), Robertson 8. Hamburg: Kargus 6, Kaltz 7, Nogly 8, Jakobs 7, Buljan 7, Hieronymus 6 (Hrubesch 7), Keegan 7, Memering 7, Mileski 7, *MAGATH 8, Reimann 6. Referee: Mr A. Garrido (Portugal).

MATCH RATING: ****



ABOVE: This was the moment, late in the match when I confronted a linesman about a throw in decision. By then, we were desperate for an equaliser.

KEEGAN AND

I DESPERATELY wanted Hamburg to win the European Cup in Madrid — not just for my own personal satisfaction but as a way of saying thank you to all those German kids who have helped to make my stay there such an enjoyable one.

And after we failed to land the consolation prize of the German championship even though we beat Schalke in my last game, I was so upset I lied about the time I was due to leave the airport to join the England party.

I let it be known that I was booked on a mid-day flight out of Hamburg for London but purposely left on an earlier one.

I couldn't bear to see their faces when they wished me farewell.

Many of them are MATCH WEEKLY readers so let me say now to them. I'm sorry and I apologise but it was a painful week and at the time I just wanted to step on a plane and



If I look a little smug, who can blame me.

MY

THEY put the lights out on us in Madrid... but nobody could really turn down the brightness of our success.

Some twenty minutes after our victory over Hamburg in the magnificent Bernabeu Stadium, Peter Taylor and I left our dressing-room to go out and say "hello" to our fans who had made the journey from Nottingham.

I hope it was a coincidence but at that moment somebody pressed the switch and there we were in total darkness trying to say thanks to the people who had lived through the emotions along with us.

A couple of hours later I was sitting in our hotel up in the Spanish hills some 30 or 40 miles outside Madrid, enjoying a quiet get together with the team.

I wanted to savour every single moment of the success but, as we set about our quiet celebration meal, I hardly had the strength to lick the gravy off my lips. And I hadn't even been playing.

If the season we had ploughed through in the league at home had drained us, I can't begin to describe the way we felt after

The frightened men of football

I'VE always regarded the Italians as the frightened men of European football.

There is no doubt they possess talent, immense talent, but for my money they have never quite had enough faith in their own ability to go out and portray their skills in the same way as the Germans and Dutch have done.

I think Juventus typified what I am saying when they allowed Arsenal to go to Turin and beat them on their own ground to win through to the Final of the European Cup Winners' Cup.

My only hope is that the Italian national side does the same against England.

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leave as soon as I could. Perhaps I may get the chance to say a proper thank you one day.

As for the defeat in Madrid, I am sure that many of you who saw it on TV will agree that Forest could have played better and entertained a lot more.

But there is no doubting their effectiveness. Their greatest strength is that they make you play to their strengths. They force you to go wide and when you knock the ball into the box Lloyd and Burns are there to head it away.

And when it seems to be lost for them, there's a guy called Peter Shilton who makes tremendous saves.

With all the pressure we had we thought we would get something but it is very difficult to score goals against Forest and full marks to them.

From a purely professional point of view they gave a very solid performance. People used

MY AGONY

Why I couldn't face the Hamburg fans

to knock Liverpool until they realised what a good side they were.

I am certainly not bitter about how Forest approached the game and for their sake I hope they go on and win it for a third year.

I'll have another two cracks at them next season with Southampton in the First

Division so perhaps with those Hamburg kids in mind, I can get a bit of revenge!

AS I said, it has been a painful time for me during the last couple of weeks, both mentally and physically.

My big worry is the knee injury I picked up during my last league game in Germany.



DELIGHT

Why I enjoyed my wine

that 90 minutes against Hamburg.

But no matter how tired we were, no matter how many thoughts were buzzing round in our minds, I still made time to sit back and enjoy a glass of red wine and soak it all in.

And I'll tell you this — winning that trophy was all the sweeter a second time around. I'm 45, have gone through most things in life — certainly in football — but there are some moments when you still can't hide the kind of emotion that comes naturally.

As soon as that whistle had gone and we knew we had beaten Hamburg, Peter Taylor and I immediately left for the peace, quiet and relative solitude of our dressing room.

We knew what was going on outside on the pitch with players falling to their knees; others kissing each other; and our delighted supporters throwing scarves and hats to them from the crowd.

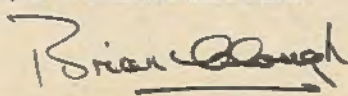
There is nothing wrong in that at all but Peter and I just wanted to gather our thoughts and say

to each other "Well done mate ... that's another one we've cracked."

People like John Robertson, Peter Shilton, Kenny Burns and Martin O'Neill, whose contribution was incredible, stole the limelight. But I also thought for the likes of young Gary Mills, a veteran called John O'Hare who came on and helped us through a sticky patch at the end and Frank Gray who hadn't won a thing before he joined us.

What amazed me — not for the first time — was that people didn't give us a prayer but if they had taken the trouble to go through each side and analyse individuals there wasn't much to choose between us and Kevin Keegan and his mates.

If, for example, you put Keegan and their goalkeeper together, I wouldn't have swapped them for Gary Birtles and Peter Shilton. And I would rather have had our pair of fullbacks than theirs.



Gray: 'I nearly missed final'

IT'S little wonder that Frank Gray has something to smile about after Forest's 1-0 victory over Hamburg in the European Cup Final.

For Gray, so bitterly disappointed after being a loser with Leeds in the 1975 Final, almost missed out on Forest's crowning glory in Madrid.

He revealed: "I picked up a calf injury in John Robertson's testimonial match and didn't train up until the Final. I suppose it was a bit touch and go but I was determined not to miss the game."

"I tried not to think about the injury during the match but it got worse near the end and although I wanted to stay on the field I just had to come off for the good of the team."

"I couldn't bear to watch so I went down the tunnel and sat on some steps, listening to the noise of the crowd. Even that was too much to stand and when I thought it was the end of the



Frank Gray, the European Cup — and an ear-to-ear smile which says it all.

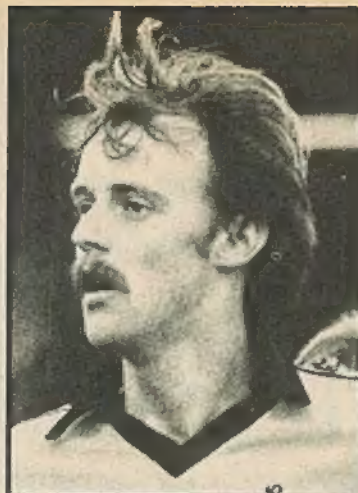
game I went and sat on the bench."

"When the whistle eventually went I can't explain how I really felt."

But don't worry Frank, judging from our picture everyone will know!



Tommy Booth — an ever-present in Manchester City's troubled season.



George Reilly, joint top of the Cambridge scoring charts.

The incredible record of David Armstrong

THE long-running David Armstrong show at Middlesbrough just goes on and on and on . . .

A look at Match Weekly's exclusive statistical charts for last season's First and Second Divisions show that the talented midfielder player

leaves everybody else trailing behind when it comes to consistency.

Another ever-present season at Ayresome Park extended Armstrong's run of consecutive league appearances to an incredible 294.

All in all it was a fantastic season for Armstrong. He

DIVISION ONE

Team	Lge	FAC	LC	Euro	Others	Total	PU	Ever present	Top scorer	Final position	CS
ARSENAL	42	11	7	9	1	70	19	Brian Talbot	Alan Sunderland (28)	4	33
ASTON VILLA	42	6	4	—	—	52	28	Gordon Cowans	Gary Shaw (12)	7	15
BOLTON	42	4	2	—	—	48	22	Jim McDonagh	Neil Whatmore (18)	22	9
BRIGHTON	42	2	5	—	—	49	23	Gary Williams	Peter Ward (18)	16	17
BRISTOL CITY	42	2	6	—	—	50	25	Brian Horton	Tom Ritchie (14)	20	13
COVENTRY	42	2	3	—	—	47	29	none	Ian Wallace (13)	15	12
CRYSTAL PALACE	42	3	2	—	—	47	19	Paul Hinshelwood	Mike Flanagan (9)	13	15
DERBY	42	1	2	—	—	45	21	Jim Cannon	Alan Biley (9)	21	8
EVERTON	42	6	5	2	—	55	25	Vince Hilaire	Brian Kidd (18)	19	15
IPSWICH	42	4	2	4	—	52	21	Steve Buckley	Paul Mariner (22)	3	24
LEEDS	42	1	2	4	—	49	25	John Bailey	Kevin Hird (8)	11	17
LIVERPOOL	42	8	7	2	1	60	17	Russell Osman	David Johnson (27)	1	27
MAN CITY	42	1	4	—	—	47	23	Phil Neal	Mike Robinson (7)	17	11
MAN UTD	42	2	3	—	—	47	19	Phil Thompson	Joe Jordan (13)	2	19
MIDDLESBROUGH	42	3	2	—	—	47	24	Kenny Dalglish	David Armstrong (14)	9	18
NORWICH	42	3	6	—	—	51	29	Joe Corrigan	Justin Fashanu (13)	12	12
NOTTM FOREST	42	2	10	9	2	65	19	Tommy Booth	John Robertson (19)	5	24
SOUTHAMPTON	42	1	3	—	—	46	22	Gary Bailey	Phil Boyer (26)	8	14
STOKE	42	1	3	—	—	46	24	Jimmy Nicholl	Garth Crooks (15)	18	11
TOTTENHAM	42	6	2	—	—	50	25	Martin Buchan	Glenn Hoddle (22)	14	13
WEST BROM	42	2	5	2	—	51	20	Steve Coppell	Peter Barnes (15)	10	18
WOLVES	42	4	11	—	—	57	21	David Armstrong	John Richards (17)	6	21
								John Craggs			
								none			
								Peter Shilton			
								John Robertson			
								Phil Boyer			
								none			
								none			
								Tony Godden			
								John Wile			
								none			

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Alan Young — top scorer at Leicester.

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Chart above: Lge — Football League matches; FAC — FA Cup; LC — League Cup; Euro — Arsenal (European Cup Winners' Cup); Everton, Ipswich, Leeds and West Brom (UEFA Cup); Liverpool and Nottingham Forest (European Cup); Others — Arsenal and Liverpool (Charity Shield); Nottingham Forest (European Super Cup); P.U. — players used in all games; Ever-Presents — in all games; Top Scorer — with total number of goals; C.S. — number of clean sheets kept in all games.

Chart right: Lge — Football League matches; FAC — FA Cup; LC — League Cup; W. Cup — Welsh Cup; Others — Fulham, Notts Co., Preston (Anglo-Scottish Cup), Wrexham (European Cup Winners' Cup); P.U. — players used in all games.

294 NOT OUT

finished the club's leading scorer with 14 goals in all competitions, was voted player-of-the-season and broke into the full England squad.

A look at this season's ever-present chart for the First Division produced some interesting similarities with season 78/79.

The two men at either end of the Nottingham Forest line-up, Peter Shilton and John Robertson, were the only players to figure in all of the previous season's 42 league games.

This term they were again the only two Forest players not to miss a game.

Over at West Bromwich Albion, Tony Godden and John Wile were another pair to establish this dual record.

Steve Buckley just hates to be out of action at Derby. Since his move from Luton two seasons ago he's played in every first-team game — and that includes friendlies!

A look at the top scorers' list proves just how far great sides like Manchester City and Leeds have fallen.

Mike Robinson was City's leading scorer with all of seven in every competition! And defender-cum-midfield man Kevin Hird topped the Leeds pool with just one more.

Alan Biley has the distinction of appearing in both First and Second Division charts. He finished joint leading scorer at Cambridge with George Reilly and scored enough at Derby following his transfer earlier this year to top their list as well.

Compiled by Trevor Haylett and Bob Warters

NEXT WEEK: We continue our intriguing guide to a season's statistics with a detailed look at Divisions Three and Four. Once again, it will make absorbing reading.



David Armstrong — nearing 300 consecutive league games for Middlesbrough.

FACTS
AT A GLANCE
our guide to a season's statistics

DIVISION TWO

Team	Lge	FAC	LC	W Cup	Others	Total	PU	Ever present	Top scorer	Final position	CS
BIRMINGHAM	42	3	3	—	—	48	21	none	Keith Bertschin (15)	3	17
BRISTOL ROV	42	1	2	—	—	45	25	none	Stuart Barraclough (14)	19	11
BURNLEY	42	2	2	—	—	46	29	none	Martin Dobson, Billy Hamilton (7)	21	8
CAMBRIDGE	42	3	2	—	—	47	24	Malcolm Webster	George Reilly, Alan Biley (12)	8	12
CARDIFF	42	2	2	1	—	47	23	Alan Campbell	Gary Stevens (11)	15	15
CHARLTON	42	1	2	—	—	45	24	Les Berry	Derek Hales (8)	22	6
CHELSEA	42	1	2	—	—	45	27	—	Clive Walker (11)	4	11
FULHAM	42	2	2	—	3	49	21	none	Gordon Davies (15)	20	7
LEICESTER	42	2	2	—	—	46	23	Mark Wallington, Larry May, Alan Young	Alan Young (15)	1	17
LUTON	42	1	2	—	—	45	21	Mel Donaghy	David Moss (24)	6	9
NEWCASTLE	42	1	2	—	—	45	24	none	Alan Shoulder (21)	9	12
NOTTS COUNTY	42	1	3	—	3	49	19	Don Masson, Ray O'Brien	Ray O'Brien (11)	17	12
OLDHAM	42	1	2	—	—	45	20	none	Simon Stainrod, Bill Steel (10)	11	14
ORIENT	42	3	2	—	—	47	—	Fisher, Taylor, Coates	Joe Mayo, Billy Jennings (13)	14	12
PRESTON	42	1	2	—	5	50	24	Roy Tunks	Steve Elliott (16)	10	10
QPR	42	1	5	—	—	48	23	Don Shanks	Clive Allen (31)	5	14
SHREWSBURY	42	1	4	7	—	54	22	David McCreery	—	—	—
SUNDERLAND	42	1	6	—	—	49	21	Jackie Keay	Steve Biggins (13)	13	15
SWANSEA	42	5	4	4	—	55	27	Steve Whitworth	Bryan Robson (22)	2	17
WATFORD	42	4	2	—	—	48	24	none	Alan Waddle (14)	12	13
WEST HAM	42	8	9	—	—	59	26	Luther Blissett	Luther Blissett (11)	18	14
WREXHAM	42	4	4	2	2	54	19	none	David Cross (18)	7	7
							23	Joey Jones	Dixie McNeil (20)	16	14
								Gareth Davis			
								Mel Sutton			

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GOLDEN GOALS



Willie Miller slides in his Golden Goal against Wales

WILLIE'S WINNER

Willie Miller
(Scotland) v Wales, Home Internationals, Hampden Park, May 22, 1980.

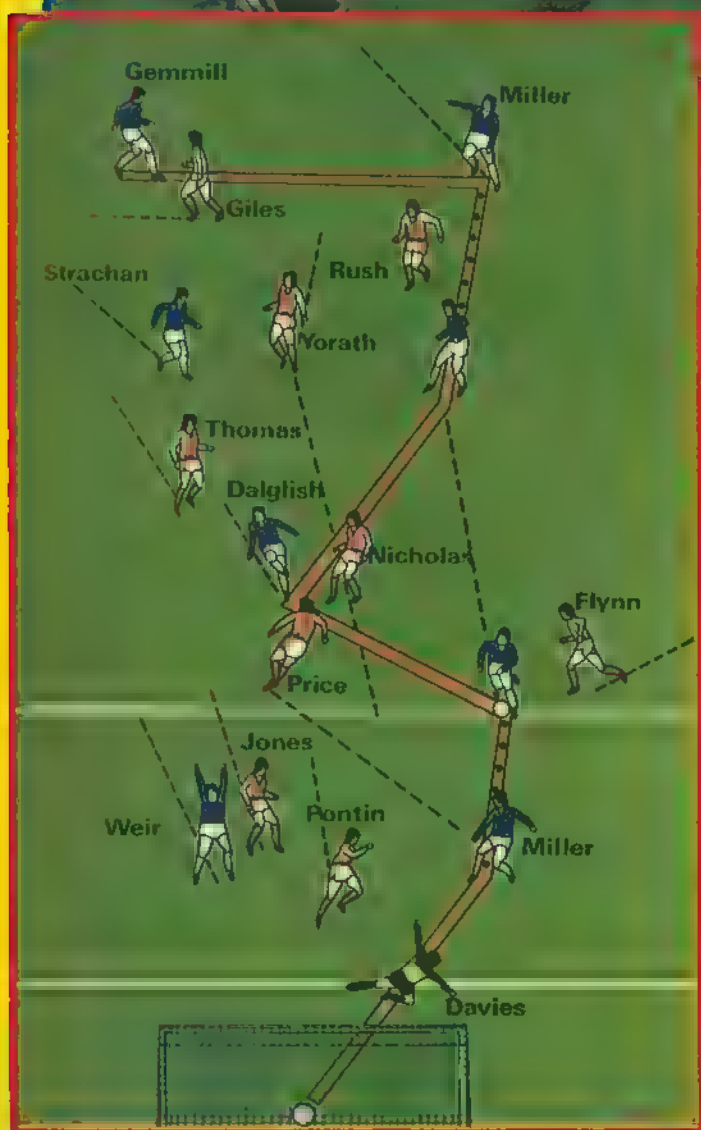
THOUGH Scotland fans will not be keen to recall the 1980 Home International championship, Aberdeen defender Willie Miller will long remember the occasion of his first goal for his country, which beat Wales

Anxious to make up for a 1-0 defeat in the opening game of the tournament in Northern Ireland, the Scots attacked with determination against the Welsh in front of the tartan supporters

Willie recalls: "We put the Welsh under pressure early on, but it wasn't until the 24th minute that my goal broke the deadlock.

"Archie Gemmill controlled the ball in midfield and I came racing through, as I sometimes do with Aberdeen, to take his pass in my stride

"Kenny Dalglish with his back to goal made himself available for a one-two and when I played it up to him and went for the return he knocked perfectly for me to go clear and beat Dai Davies from 10 yards. I'll never forget it," said Willie



STEVE COPPELL'S ROME DIARY

Week 1



Steve Coppel showed plenty of determination in the 2-0 Home International victory over Scotland. Here, he battles through a powerful challenge from Iain Munro while Alex McLeish waits.

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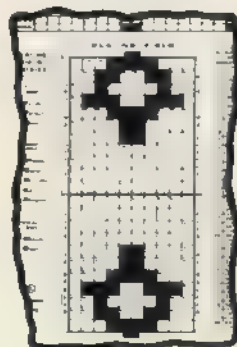
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WELL, here we are at last in Italy. It has been a long hard road but having got this far, the feeling in the England hotel, here just outside Turin, is one of quiet confidence.

We have had a good week's preparation at the West Lodge Hotel, just north of London and we flew in on Tuesday injury-free and itching to put on a good show in our opening Group Two match with the Belgians tomorrow (Thursday).

The Italian press is still full of the bribes scandal which rocked the game here last month, and robbed them of their ace striker Paolo Rossi. But when we meet Bettiga and Co at the magnificent Comunale Stadium in Turin on Sunday, that will all be forgotten and you can bet the place will be seething with expectation.

We know very little about the

Belgian side, but that's the way Mr Greenwood likes it.

His theory is: "If we go worrying about the opposition then we've got no chance." And I agree with him. Let them worry about us.

It's a little different with the Italians. With the publicity the game gets over here you can't help but know a few of the stars, but we'll go into Sunday's cauldron determined to lay the ghost of that defeat in 1977, which virtually put us out of the World Cup.

Half of Italy's side is likely to include Juventus players in front of their home fans — but if Arsenal can do it here in the Cup Winners' Cup — so can we.

The big crunch is likely to be the clash of Kevin Keegan and Tardelli. He's a player I have always admired, since my international debut against Italy

The night I couldn't sleep

WITHOUT doubt England's appearance in the European championship finals is the highlight of my career and what a hectic time the last few weeks have been.

Since returning from United's match in Portland on Cup Final day, I've hardly been home to Manchester.

The biggest thrill for me was having the privilege to be on the same pitch as Diego Maradona, when we beat the Argentinian World champions 3-1 at Wembley. I was so excited by the match, I couldn't sleep that night. He's an incredible player with every skill imaginable. With the World Cup coming up I wouldn't be surprised to see Maradona nationalised in Argentina. He could become the first nationalised industry to make a profit!

In our European build-up

Wales and Northern Ireland brought us down to earth with a bump — but Mr Greenwood managed to get our complacency out of our system, before we beat Scotland at Hampden.

I was so keyed up for the game I left my wallet in the Troon hotel, but Phil Thompson's girlfriend managed to retrieve it for me and the day ended happily with me grabbing our second goal.

As we weren't flying back to London with the rest of the party, Trevor Cherry and I were taken to our homes in Manchester and Huddersfield by limousine and I managed to fit in a game of cricket with my brother Kevin in Liverpool and sort out the tax man, before returning to the England squad on June 2.

It has been hectic but I'm confident it will be worth it!

A long hard road but... make it

at Wembley in 1978. But he's likely to be attached to Kevin's shirt tail for 90 minutes — and if that's the case, good luck to him. Our skipper is a tough one to mark and that's one less talented Italian to cause problems to our defence.

Our big strength is that we have a team of potential goalscorers. Wherever you look in our line-up, the lads can knock them in... my room mate Dave Watson is always lethal in the air and whether it be Sansom, Mills or Neal in the back line, they are all capable of chipping in with a goal.

Talking of goals it is sad that Trevor Francis is not here, because of his achilles tendon injury, to link up with Tony Woodcock.

We'll miss his sharpness and electric pace, but the way Mr Greenwood has compiled his

squad, we've got tremendous cover in every position and David Johnson is a man in form as he proved with two goals against Argentina.

A repeat of that kind of form and we will be well on our way to Rome, where the West Germans look the best bet to get through from the other group, though I can see Holland pushing them hard. It may even depend on who scores the most goals against the Greek outsiders.

Anyway, my message to MATCH WEEKLY readers is fingers crossed and we'll be there on the 22nd. It will be like three FA Cup semi-finals squeezed into a frantic seven days. But with a bit of luck we'll make it!

Steve Coppell

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COMPETITION

The big soccer event of the year must be the European Championships, and as England go to Italy as one of the favourites in what promises to be a great tournament, Match Weekly is throwing out a challenge to our readers.

To make the final stages of the tournament even more exciting we want you to predict the top four teams in the correct order that they will finish in the Championship. Then, using your judgement, write down on the entry coupon the total number of goals that you think will be scored in the 14 scheduled games. It's an easy to do and fun to enter competition and you could win one of the five Box Ball Soccer Games that we are giving away as prizes. The game is a realistic version of the real thing with goals, corners, penalties and off-sides together with fixture cards for your own leagues.

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Spotlight on the four nations battling in

Ger bet

AS ENGLAND challenge Belgium, Spain and host nation Italy for a place in the European Championship final in Rome on June 22, four other countries battle for that climax, too.

MATCH WEEKLY has been tracking down the stars of Group 1, which starts on June 11 when the Czechs meet the West Germans in the Olympic Stadium, Rome and Greece meet Holland in Naples.

Last week we gave you a match-by-match chart to fill in and the times of TV kick-off times, but just in case you missed it, the games, are as follows:

Group 1: June 11, Czechoslovakia v W Germany (Rome 4.45, British time). Greece v Holland (Naples 7.30). June 14, W Germany v Holland (Naples, 4.45); Czechoslovakia v Greece (Rome, 7.30); June 17, Czechoslovakia v Holland (Milan, 4.45); W Germany v Greece (Turin, 7.30).

Group 2: June 12, Belgium v England (Turin, 4.45), Spain v Italy (Milan, 7.30); June 15, Spain v Belgium (Milan, 4.45); Italy v England (Turin, 7.30). June 18, Spain v England (Naples, 4.45), Italy v Belgium (Rome 7.30).

Third place: June 21, Naples, 7.30. Final: June 22, Rome, 7.30.

Holland...Ajax hold the key__

"WE'VE LOST, it's all over, we can forget about Italy," the Dutch newspapers were full of such pessimistic headlines on the eve of Holland's European championship qualifier in East Germany when only victory would do.

And their gloom looked justified, when with just 34 minutes gone and without such stars as Neeskens, Rep, Cruyff, Haan and Van Hanegem, Holland trailed 2-0.

But Franz Thijssen the Ipswich midfielder with 27 caps, pulled one back and sparked a revival which ended with a 3-2 victory.

Ajax players form the backbone of the Dutch side, led by the irrepressible Ruud Krol.

His club mates include the rotund goalkeeper Piet Schrijvers — an ever present with Eindhoven's Ernie Brandts in the eight qualifiers — midfielder Dick Schoenaker capped four times. Surprisingly ace dribbler Simon Tahamata, a 23-year-old Moluccan with seven caps.

Team coach is Jan Zwartkuis, who has remained confident throughout his team's run up to the championship and believes, while all the talk is of Italy, Germany and England, Holland still has the technique to cause an upset if they get a good start against Greece in the opener.

JOINT favourites with the host nation to win the title, West Germany will be banking heavily on the brilliant goalscoring skills of Bayern Munich's Carli-Heinz Rummenigge in their challenge for the European crown.

Rummenigge (24), the dashing flaxen haired winger who is top scorer in the German League with 25 goals in 32 games, will be linking with the popular Hansi Muller, the 22-year-old Stuttgart striker to form a fearsome partnership.

Shalke's Klaus Fischer would have added to the attack but

Czech's spells da

ABOVE: Zdenek Nehoda . . . Czech 'danger' man.

BELOW: Thomas Mavros . . . prolific scorer for Greece.

THE UNDOUBTED star of European championship title holders Czechoslovakia is Zdenek Nehoda — who's name when translated means 'danger'.

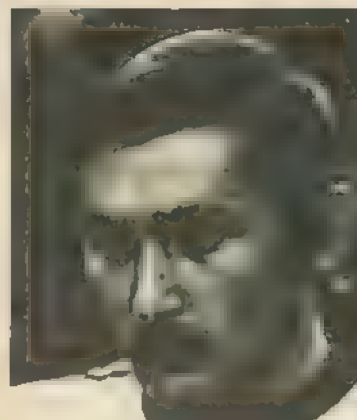
Scorer of 20 goals in his 60 international appearances, the Dukla Prague striker, has missed much of this season through injury, but national coach Dr Jozef Venglos says he is now back to form and itching to lead his country to a second title.

Linking with Nehoda in attack will be 30-year-old Marian Masny the explosive winger from Sloven Bratislava. Capped 52 times, he is a player of differing moods but on his day a world-beater.

National captain is Anton



Ruud Krol . . . mastermind of Dutch football, his experience will be invaluable in this group.



Group 1 for a final place

many best for Rome

broke a leg in March after scoring six goals in the qualifiers, now his replacement is likely to be Horst Hrubesch, Hamburg's power dangerman.

No 1 goalkeeper Norbert Nigbur also broke a leg recently, but the Germans look set to rely on Cologne's Harold Schumacher, a 26 year old with just three caps.

Centre of defence in the Beckenbauer mould is Bernd Cullmann capped 37 times from Cologne, but the star defender is Manfred Kaltz, a brilliant attacking right back whose two

goals against Real Madrid helped take Hamburg to the European Cup final.

Captain is 32-year-old left back Bernard Dietz, a strong motivator from MSV Duisberg, capped 47 times, while there's a chance that Stuttgart brothers Carl-Heinz and Bernd Forster will earn their 14th and 8th caps respectively during the championships.

Manager Jupp Derwall admits

that Germany have had a relatively easy passage to the finals including home wins over Wales (5-1) and Malta (8-0), but is confident the former World champions have the ability to win their group and hopefully earn a repeat 1966 confrontation with England.



Carl-Heinz Rummenigge... West Germany depend on him to cause problems in opposing defences.

Nehoda danger

Ondrus, a sweeper with attacking flair, and always dangerous at set plays, while the experienced Rostislav Vojacek, from Banik Ostrava will no doubt get the job of marking Germany's Rummenigge.

In midfield the Czechs have the experienced Antonin Panenka, capped 40 times from Bohemians Prague and Jan Kozak, capped 30 times from Lokomotiv Kosice, coupled with 25-year-old Dukla player Jan Berger.

But Nehoda is the inspiration of the side, having scored 113 league goals in 257 appearances, so look to the former ice-hockey player, to cause Germany, Holland and Greece more than a few problems.

Betting Latest
 11-4 Italy, West Germany
 20-1 Belgium
 25-1 Spain
 100-1 Greece
 100-30 England
 4-1 Holland
 10-1 Czechoslovakia

JUST LIKE Nehoda is the key to Czechoslovakia's scant hopes of success in Italy, so Thomas Mavros is the spearhead of the Greek challenge.

He's a striker with AEK Athens and scored seven of his country's 13 qualifying goals in six matches, having underlined his scoring ability by winning the European Silver Boot Award in 1979, finishing second highest marksman in Europe.

But while Mavros is assured of his place, national coach Alketas Panagoulis, cannot say the same for the rest of his squad.

He used no less than 21 players in the friendly with Cyprus recently and his selection problems were further complicated by the 5-1 defeat in Paris by France.

Greece - Mavros the spearhead

However, our sources reveal that likely players in the first match include Georgios Dalikaris, the captain who has been in dispute with his club recently, a midfielder player, who is set to engineer the sides fortunes with Cristos Ardizoglou a 26-year-old skilful ball player with AEK.

Goalkeeper is six-footer Vasilis Konstantinou, apparently suspect in the air but agile on the ground, while key players in

front of him include Sweeper Giorgios Fiores from Aris Salonika and stopper Anthimos Kapsis of Panathinaikos.

NEXT WEEK: We bring you action highlights from the opening games and talk exclusively to Kevin Keegan and Steve Coppel.

HAPPY HODDLE

SPURS' exciting goalscorer Glenn Hoddle capped a brilliant season by being named in Ron Greenwood's England squad for the European championships.

Hoddle, weary after a marathon flight from Australia, where he had scored a goal and earned the man of the match award in England's centenary international victory said:

"Obviously I am delighted to be in the party. It is a privilege to be in the England squad.

"It was a tiring trip to Australia but when Mr Greenwood told me I was in the squad for Italy I quickly forgot my tiredness."

Hoddle rocketed to England status with some spectacular goals among his 22 for Spurs this season and cracked in a superb effort on his senior debut against Bulgaria.

Hoddle was the 21st selection

for the party. Because of the problems surrounding Kevin Keegan's knee injury, Mr Greenwood waited until only hours before the deadline for nominations, before finally selecting Garry Birtles to complete the squad of 22.

★ ★ ★

THE LEAST known member of Ron Greenwood's men for the "Italian Job" could have a vital part to play this month.

Notts County coach Howard Wilkinson has responsibility for watching the two group matches between West Germany and Czechoslovakia and Greece and Czechoslovakia

And if England find themselves paired with any of these sides in the later stages of the European Championships, Wilkinson's information will be invaluable.

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PRELIMINARY

POLAND (D) 1 (Bomzek 69)

SCOTLAND (D) 0

Att: 18,000 at Poznan

Poland: Mowlik 8; Dziuba 6 (Glock 6), Zwoda 7, Barczak 7, Janas 8, Lato 7, Nowak 7, BONIEK 9, Kucich 8, Palasz 7 (Torlecki 8)

Scotland: ROUGH 9, Barclay 7 (Dawson), McGrain 7, Narey 6, McLeish 7, Miller 8, Strachan 7, Dalglish 6 (Weir 7), Archibald 6, Aitken 6, Jordan 6 (Brazil 6)

Referee: Mr I. Carver (Bulgaria)

Match rating: ***

HUNGARY (1) 3 (Torocskai 5, 65, Kerek 67)

SCOTLAND (D) 1 (Archibald 66)

Att: 10,400 at Budapest

Hungary: Mészáros 8, Pároczai 7 (Ezran 7), Balint 8, Tóth 8, Kerek 8, Garaba 7, Kiss 8 (Estersházy 7), Pasztor 8, TORCSEK 9, Nyilasi 8, Csengrad 7

Scotland: ROUGH 6, McGrain 7, Dawson 7, Narey 6, McLeish 7, Miller 7, Dalglish 6, Archibald 6, Brazil 6 (Strachan 7), GEMMILL 8, Weir 6

Referee: Mr H. Baumann (Switzerland)

Match rating: ****

World Cup Qualifier Group 13

ICELAND (D) 0

WALES (1) 4 (Walsh 44, 74, Giles 54, Flynn pen 62)

Att: 10,000

Iceland: Diefson 6, Gissurson 7, Johnson 5, Halldorsson 6, Haraldsson 6, Edvaldsson A 7, Guolugsson 7, THORARSON 8, Thorbjornsson 6, Gjoelundson 7, Petursson 7

Wales: Davies D 7, Price 7, Jones J 7, Phillips 7, Nicholas 7, Verath (Stevenson 7) 6, Flynn 7, GILES 8, Davies G (Harris) 6, Walsh 8, James 6

Referee: Mr R. Mayhew (Norway)

Match rating: ****

Football League PRELIMINARY

MONDAY, 19 MAY, 1980

MIDDLESBROUGH (3) 5 (Johnson 11, Hodgson 20, Hedley 42, Armstrong 51, 53)

ARSENAL (D) 0

Attend: 15,603

Middlesbrough: Stewart 6, Craggs 7, Bailey 6, Hedley 8, Ashcroft 7, McAndrew 6, Johnson 7, Proctor 8, Hodgson 7, Shearer 8, ARMSTRONG 9

Arsenal: JENNINGS 7, Rice 5, Nelson 6, Talbot 6, Walford 5 (sub Vaessen 5), Young 6, Brady 5, Sunderland 5, Stapleton 6, Price 5, Rix 5

Referee: R. A. Banks (Manchester)

Match Rating: ***

A KNOCK AT THE DOOR!

—and there stood
Ron Greenwood

WHEN England step out for tomorrow's crucial European Championship game with Italy I'll be hoping to give Ron Greenwood the victory that eluded me when our paths first crossed.

And there could hardly be a bigger contrast to the seething Turin Stadium than the occasion when England's manager first set eyes on me.

The venue was Ilford Town's ground. The prize — a place in the semi-finals of the English Schools Trophy.

Ilford Boys were playing Oxford Boys in the quarter-final and there, in the unfashionable stand, sat Mr Greenwood alongside Wally St Pler, the West Ham chief scout.

Wally had seen several of the Ilford Schools' games that season and had obviously tipped Mr Greenwood off that the tall lad at wing-half had something to offer.

And I must have impressed. For a few days after losing to Oxford there was a knock at the

Brooking household and there on the doorstep stood the same Mr Greenwood!

What a terrific thrill for a 15-year-old schoolboy who'd followed the Hammers all his life.

I was so excited that when Mr Greenwood said he wanted me to sign for his club I had to pinch myself to make sure I wasn't dreaming.

But Mum and Dad kept my feet on the ground. Although they thought it was great to go into football they didn't want me to put all my eggs in one basket.

Mum and Dad wanted me to stay on at school in the fifth form and sit my GCEs. I agreed.

Fortunately, Mr Greenwood was very understanding. We came to a gentleman's agreement which allowed me to return to Ilford High School and play for West Ham Juniors when I could.

Apart from the fact that I had always followed West Ham this was the main reason why I preferred them to the other clubs that came knocking on the door.

Tommy Docherty was very keen to sign me for Chelsea, the side he managed in those days.

Mum, Dad and I met him at a London hotel and were immediately impressed by his friendliness, generosity and easy-going manner.

Typical of the man's approach was his gesture in sending us two tickets for the 1964 FA Cup final.

But Mum and Dad's principles wouldn't allow them to accept the gift and they returned the tickets.

Dad, a regular at Upton Park, eventually applied to the Hammers and with brother Tony saw West Ham beat Preston.

I'm sure if the lure of West Ham hadn't have been so strong I would have signed for Chelsea.

I was fortunate enough to get seven of eight O Levels. The other — English Language — I had to take again the following Christmas and this time I was successful.

Because there was a lot of school games in the fifth form I didn't have much chance to show West Ham what I could do in my first year.

I played the odd junior match but the real test began when I walked through the narrow

West Ham Cup winning
goalkeeper and England international
TREVOR BROOKING

PART 2

players' door at Upton Park in the summer of 1965 for my first day's work.

My initial reaction was one of awe. The team had just won the European Cup Winners' Cup and players of the quality of Bobby Moore, Geoff Hurst and Martin Peters would be treading the same corridors and kicking the same footballs as me.

There were nine other apprentices there at the time. Only one is still at the club today — popular full-back Frank Lampard.

Above: Brooking in action against Northern Ireland.

Continued overleaf



Reflections! Trevor Brooking thinks back to the old days at the spot where he and his father watched the Hammers.

Right: Fifteen-year-old Brooking receives his first England Schoolboys cap.

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We drew lots for

WE apprentices used to fight over the different jobs. I remember cleaning the toilets was not very high in the popularity stakes and we had to draw lots for that 'pleasure'.

And we were never short of a laugh between us or the odd trick or two.

One particular escapade always makes me smile. We were at an end-of-season tournament in Italy and after one of our games we were allowed a couple of hours out to enjoy ourselves.

Steve Death, now with Reading, stayed out a little longer than the rest and when he returned he found himself locked

NOT ALL AND

LIFE as a West Ham apprentice was hard work in the early days. We had to report to the ground first thing in the morning and load up the training gear.

We'd then go to the training ground at Chadwell Heath and lay the kit out for the professional players. They'd come in about half past nine.

Once we'd trained we had to collect the dirty gear and make sure the dressing room was clean and tidy before we left.

We'd then go back to the main ground and put the kit in the ovens and dryers ready for the next day.

On Fridays it was our job to clean boots and dressing rooms for the matches the following day and ensure soap was laid out for the baths.

As you can see life wasn't all about goals and glory in those days.

There was a lot of hard work off the field. But I didn't mind because at least I was involved in football and the dirty jobs were an accepted part of our life.

I wouldn't have done anything else for the world

When the football year ended and we returned from close-season tours the

who cleaned the toilets

out.

He tried to come in up the drainpipe but only succeeded in pulling it away from the wall and landed on the ground with a crash!

A very irate hotel owner woke up the next morning to find his drain pipe teetering halfway across the road. It made the leaning tower of Pisa look like a non-event!

Fortunately for Stevie, he was a very 'hard' character and apart from the odd bruise didn't come to any harm.

The lads were very close-knit and before now the true story has never come out. Fortunately we managed to reach the final of the tournament and the incident was forgotten!

GOALS GLORY

Life was hard work as an apprentice

apprentices were kept behind to sweep out the odd room and do a bit of painting here and there

I had no trouble feeling part of the scene at Upton Park and got on well with everybody.

Plenty of mickey-taking went on but as long as you gave as good as you got, you were OK.

There are very few bad apples in football. Footballers will soon sort out the bad ones and point them in the right direction.

Our batch of apprentices got on famously well together and there was a terrific spirit.

The coaching staff at West Ham ensured that our early training sessions weren't too tough

We were still growing and were eased into the training programme. Gradually the exercises we had to do in the circuit were increased.

We did a few cross-country and long runs in the early days. Fifteen years later they still remain my weak point

I used to stay just behind the middle of the pack as an

apprentice but as the years rolled by I seemed to work my way nearer the rear!

Some players take these runs in their stride. Billy Bonds, for instance, dictates his own speed.

At the start you'll find him at the back having a joke with one of the other lads

Then he'll suddenly accelerate away and always ends up the winner. He's a natural athlete whereas I'm what you'd call a 'heaver'!



**TREVOR BROOKING
STORY**

We were always aware of the discipline in the club but it was never strict.

In football a lot is left to the individual because if you don't work hard it will be you who suffers in the end.

But the coaches keep a close



Billy Bonds — a real cross-country specialist!

watch on you and soon tell you if you're shirking on the long-runs or sloppy on the ball exercises.

Ron Greenwood liked to keep an eye on the youngsters and he'd let us join in five-a-sides with the first and reserve team players.

Of all the stars at Upton Park, I was probably closest to Martin Peters at that time. He was a midfield player and I used to watch him in training to try and pick up hints.

He was very friendly but there was no one you could say wasn't approachable. It really was a 'family' club in every respect.

I was quite pleased with the progress I was making and after spending the first half of my first season with the youths I was 'promoted' to the A team.

By this time I had reverted to my favourite position at inside forward. If you remember I was switched to a more defensive wing-half when I was at Ilford High School and stayed there for the next five years.

During an 'A' team game I

changed roles with Keith Miller — now at Bournemouth — who wanted to play deeper.

It worked well. I was happier going forward and my game improved so Jim Barrett, the A team manager, kept me in that role.

But even though I was ticking along nicely through the ranks I was still apprehensive about the future.

There was a long way to go and a lot of players in front of me.

There was no telling what fate had in store for you. Of the England Youth squad that I was part of, only half established themselves in professional football which is quite an alarming percentage.

Football's a dicey business with a lot of setbacks. But I also learned that it could be a marvellous career.

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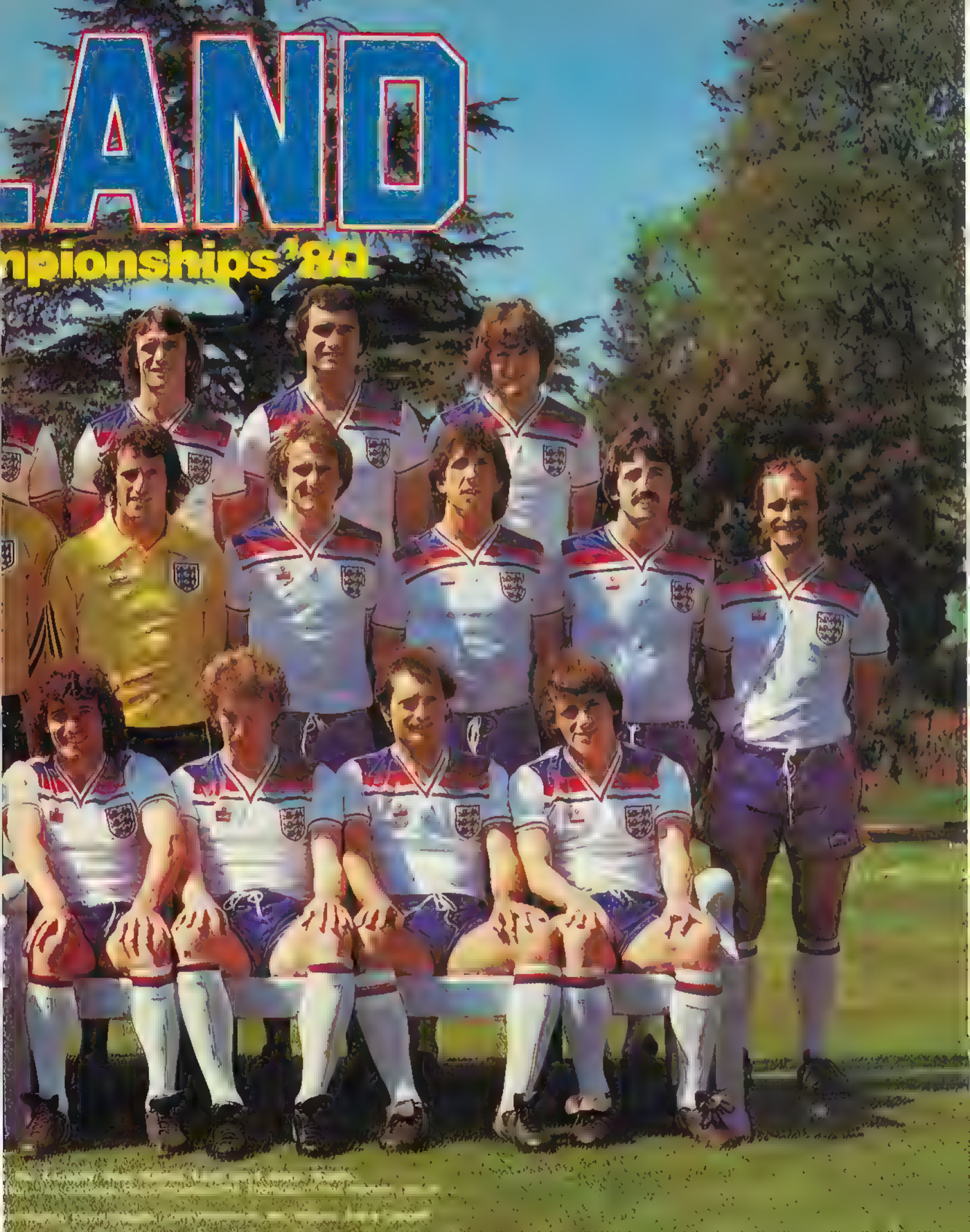
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YEAR**

Steve's



GLEN KEELEY — has helped Blackburn Rovers back into Division Two.

THERE's no doubting the impact Steve Galliers has made on Wimbledon fans in the last two years.

For the second consecutive season they voted him the club's player-of-the-season and gave him some consolation for their drop to Division Four.

Reward too for Blackburn centre-half Glen Keeley. He arrived at Ewood Park after failing to establish himself with Ipswich and Newcastle and played a leading role in Rovers' return to the Second Division.

Colchester went for the consistent performances in goal of Mike Walker — now 317 league games at Layer Road — while Oxford settled on new boy Joe Cooke.

Cooke arrived at the Manor Ground from Peterborough with a reputation for scoring goals.

But manager Bill Asprey converted him into a centre-half — a move that clearly won the approval of the Oxford fans.

Swindon supporters would have been excused a vote for either half of that superb goal-striking partnership, Alan Mayes and Andy Rowland.

But they preferred to acknowledge the skills of midfield man Chris Kamara — a vital link in the Wiltshire club's all-round push for honours.

THIRD DIVISION WINNERS 79/80

Team	Player	This season		Club career		Award
		Pl	Gs	Pl	Gs	
BARNLEY	Ronnie Glavin	42	19	42	19	Cup
BLACKBURN	Glen Keeley	45	3	130+1 as sub	3	Trophy
BLACKPOOL	Terry Pashley	44	3	79	3	Trophy
BRENTFORD	Pat Kruse	44	3	143	10	Trophy
BURY	No competition					
CARLISLE	Not yet announced					
CHESTER	Trevor Storton	39	3	255	13	Cup plus goblet to commemorate 1900th anniversary of city of Chester
CHESTERFIELD	Alan Birch	45	14	45	14	Trophy
COLCHESTER	Mike Walker	46	0	317	0	Silver cup
EXETER	David Puller	43	10	43	10	Trophy
GILLINGHAM	Steve Bruce	40	6	40	6	Holiday for two in Tenerife plus trophy
GRIMSBY	Dean Crombie	39	0	85	1	Trophy plus voucher to spend at local department store
HULL	Keith Edwards	41	19	87	43	Trophy
MANSFIELD	John McClelland	43	1	76+3	2	Rosebowl
MILLWALL	Tony Towner	43	12	68	13	Cup
OXFORD	Joe Cooke	42	8	42	8	Shield
PLYMOUTH	George Foster	46	0	145+11	6	Statuette
READING	Mark White	45	0	116	0	Trophy
ROTHERHAM	Gerry Forrest	43	4	133	4	Trophy
SHEFF UTD	Tony Kenworthy	41	3	138+3	8	Trophy
SHEFF WED	Jeff Johnson	32+3	1	142+4	6	Trophy
SOUTHEND	Not yet announced					
SWINDON	Chris Kamara	30+4	5	89+13	17	Trophy
WIMBLEDON	Steve Galliers	44	2	110+5	6	Trophy

Two in a row

Match Weekly gives you a chance this week to salute the unsung heroes of the Third and Fourth Division. The First and Second Division stars hog the limelight all season. But who were the players who delighted the spectators in the lower leagues? Match Weekly brings you an exclusive list of all the players-of-the-season in the Third and Fourth Division.



'Bad boy' makes good

THE 'bad boy' who used to frighten away other clubs has become the most sought after player in the lower divisions thanks to the 1979-80 season.

That was the year when it at last came good for Billy Kellock, Peterborough's midfield star with the golden shooting boots.

In a widely-travelled career, Kellock left Cardiff under a cloud after a dispute over wages. He was disliked so much at Norwich

by John Bond that his manager used to persuade clubs NOT to buy him and ended up in non-league football.

Forty goals in a season for Kettering Town persuaded Peterborough boss Peter Morris to sign him and the £25,000 transfer must go down as the bargain of the season.

Kellock rifled in 19 league goals last term and played so consistently well that he was voted the Sunday People's Fourth Division Player-Of-The-Season — as well

as collecting Peterborough's own award.

"It's always nice when the fans recognise you," Kellock said. "After all they're the ones who pay your wages."

Kellock says he was helped last season by the 'Mediocrity' of the Football League. "Ten years ago there was a lot of name players around.

"Now there's less and it makes it easier for a player like myself to come out of the non-league."

The new golden boy of London Road added that Posh's

successful season — they only just missed out on promotion — should see them OK for next term. "If we don't go up in 1980-81 then we never will."

But it's unlikely that he will be part of that promotion push. More celebrated clubs have been eyeing his talents — Arsenal and Tottenham among them. "I've told the manager that I'm happy to stay at Peterborough but I'd love the chance to play in the First Division."

ABOVE: Billy Kellock.

FOURTH DIVISION WINNERS 79/80

Team	Player	This Season		Club career		Award
		Pl	Gl	Pl	Gl	
ALDERSHOT	Not yet announced					
BOURNEMOUTH	Neil Townsend	29	2	29	2	Holiday for two in Ibiza
BRADFORD CITY	Steve Baines	45	6	98+1 as sub	17	Shield
CREWE	Bruce Grobbelaar	24	1	24	1	Cup
DARLINGTON	John Stalker	28	16	28	16	Trophy
DONCASTER	Alan Warboys	39	11	78+2	22	Trophy
HALIFAX	not yet announced					
HARTLEPOOL	Not yet announced					
HEREFORD	Phil Burrows	42	1	110	2	Trophy
HUDDERSFIELD	Malcolm Brown	48	2	118	3	Trophy
LINCOLN	Trevor Peake	45	1	45	1	Cup
NEWPORT	Nigel Vaughan	46	12	79+6	16	Trophy plus £50 cheque
NORTHAMPTON	Andy Poole	32	0	49	0	Shield
PETERBOROUGH	Billy Kellock	45	19	45	19	Trophy
PORT VALE	Ken Beech	46	4	127+3	13	Trophy
PORTSMOUTH	Joe Laidlaw	45	15	45	15	Trophy plus use of Toyota car for year
ROCHDALE	Chris Jones	22	10	22	10	Trophy
SCUNTHORPE	Malcolm Partridge	44	12	44	12	Trophy
STOCKPORT	David Lawson	44	0	62	0	Trophy
TORQUAY	Steve Cooper	42	17	80+7	34	Shield
TRANMERE	Dickie Johnson	46	0	306	0	Trophy
WALSALL	Tony Macken	44	1	116	1	Trophy
WIGAN	John Brown	36	0	78	0	Trophy + £25 cheque
YORK	Ian McDonald	44	7	117	15	Trophy

CHRIS KAMARA — talented player who won the award at Swindon.



WHAT a year it has been for the less fashionable clubs. In the League Cup Swindon and Grimsby reached the latter stages, only to be beaten by Wolves who themselves caused an upset by beating Nottingham Forest in the final.

In the FA Cup non-league Harlow had a great run and beat the eventual Division Two champions. The trophy went to rank outsiders West Ham.

Across the border Dundee United won the League Cup and for the first time since 1965 one of the Old Firm clubs did not win the league. Airdrie won promotion from the Scottish First Division and Northern Ireland won the Home Internationals.

Colin Burkey (14), Cork City, Ireland

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Non-leaguers Harlow Town celebrate their epic FA Cup victory over Leicester — just one of the season's surprises.

Leicester prediction

MANY eyes will be on the three newly promoted teams to Division One next season. Of the three, I predict Leicester to be among the top fifteen at the end of the season and the other two hanging at the bottom with possibly one of them being relegated.

H. S. Dillon,
Smethwick, West Midlands

Praise for Arsenal

I'm writing to praise Arsenal for what they've done for football this season. Not only have they given us our money's worth every Saturday in the league but they've also shown good sportsmanship when losing their Cup finals against West Ham and Valencia. I hope they'll continue to play football the way it should be played.

Nigel Broderick, Omagh, Ireland

Scrap Home Championships

SURELY the Home Internationals Championship should be scrapped. England only used this year's matches as a warm-up for Italy. And the other countries cannot pull in the crowds.

The England, Scotland game should be retained however, as this always warms the hearts of supporters everywhere.

Philip Gillman, Nottingham

Take note of Grimsby 'greats'

NOW that Grimsby Town are in Division Two I hope international managers start to notice the great talent at the club.

Players such as Nigel Eaton, Joe Waters, Dean Crambie, Kevin Kilmore, Kevin Drinkell, and Bobby Cummings are all international standard.

People did not give Grimsby Town much of a chance in the Third Division, yet we showed

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Year of derdog

what a great set of players we have and, of course, we finished top.

Wayne Spill (13), Cleethorpes, South Humberside

Cut out the queuing

I WENT to Sunderland's promotion winning game with West Ham and as I was expecting a large gate I set off two hours prior to the kick off.

At the end of the ground where I wanted to watch the match from there were only two turnstiles for Under-16's and the queues were absolutely massive.

It took my friend 1½ hours to get in and even then he missed the first 15 minutes of the match.

I think there should be about ten turnstiles for one end to shorten the queues and so make it easier to get in.

Martin Anderson, East Herrington, Sunderland

Shirt clash annoyed me

I WAS disgusted with the England, Argentina game at Wembley — you couldn't tell the teams apart.

Both had light shirts and dark shorts. I couldn't tell which was which on our colour television — so that about the poor people watching on black and white?

The FA spend all their time and money on stupid things and don't think of the people watching at home. Even a player like Kevin Keegan passed to an Argentinian thinking he was a team-mate.

M. Warr, Market Harborough

Right: The controversial Welsh and England team kits as modelled by Paul Price and Paul Mariner. Reader Mark Edwards says the Wales colours are too flash, while M. Warr of Market Harborough says England's strip caused confusion in the game with Argentina.

Risks of the offside trap

THE NUMBER of fans who complain about the offside trap appalls me. To apply the offside trap takes a great deal of skill, timing and practice.

I feel it adds a certain amount of tension and excitement every time a team employs it.

The defending team takes a great risk when using it because if it fails, and it often does, an attacker can be clean through the defence with only the 'keeper to beat.

Grant McInnon, New Zealand



Welsh colours oh so flashy!

TO all the readers who plainly did not approve of England's new kit I'd say take a look at the Welsh colours. In my opinion they are the most gory, flashy kit ever seen on a football field and would be better suited to a Paris fashion show.

Mark Edwards (14), Rotherham

OUTRAGED!

WELCOME to Outraged — the weekly column which stems from many of the outraged views we receive each week from MATCH WEEKLY readers — and which, in turn, outrage Match writer, Trevor HAYLETT. Why not outrage him still further — and win £2 in the process — by sending in your controversial and outrageous views to MATCH WEEKLY. And if you want to comment on his comments, go ahead.



So there, Jimmy!

I'M SICK hearing TV football presenters going on and ruining the game of football. Well, Jimmy Hill's slipped up now because after the England v Argentina game he talked about Johnson's first goal and said Steve Coppell ran to the bye-line to cross. In fact he ran to the goal-line. So there, Mr Hill

Ian Humphreys (13), Cheetham, Manchester.

● For your information the goal-line IS the bye-line. So there, Master Humphreys

Why pick on Scots?

COULD you tell me how many Scottish writers you have agreed with in the 'Outraged' column? You seem to love to hate us. No doubt, if this letter is ever published you will have some snide comment to make

Allister Meechan, Ayrshire.

● I haven't agreed with any yet mate and I'm not about to make an exception for you.

Knighon's nerve

I'VE watched Sunderland suddenly appear from nowhere to claim a promotion place. What annoys me is how manager Ken Knighon can suddenly go on television and say that he knew all the time that Sunderland were going to get promotion.

Now he has the nerve to say Sunderland may get into Europe next season. I think I might like Ken Knighon better if his head was not apt to swell so much. From a Newcastle fan.

Aidan Murray, Jarrow

● As a Newcastle fan I'm surprised you like Ken Knighon at all — especially as he rubbed your nose into the mud by claiming the promotion place that looked yours all season. I'd leave the sour grapes alone if I was you.

Brady the best

WHOEVER decides your 'Match Facts' ratings must be mad. In the FA Cup final Trevor Brooking was given 10 which I thought too high. Liam Brady only got 8 but if Brooking deserved 10, Brady deserved 11.

Sandra Trump, Exeter

● I don't think we saw the same game Sandra. Brady was the pick of a bad Arsenal bunch but no way could he be compared with the Master.

Make refs play

REFEREES should play football for at least four years before becoming a professional referee so they know exactly what it is like to get penalised for nothing.

Karl Sandy (11), Ramsgate

● Come off it Karl. Four years of bad refereeing decisions is likely to drive them away from the game for good — leaving us with no refs for the future.

**ABERDEEN'S
TITLE**

The record Celtic

Scottish football was given a tremendous boost this year when Aberdeen held off the powerful championship challenge of Celtic to take the Premier Division title.

Here we trace the 36-match trail which took them to a spot in next season's European Cup.



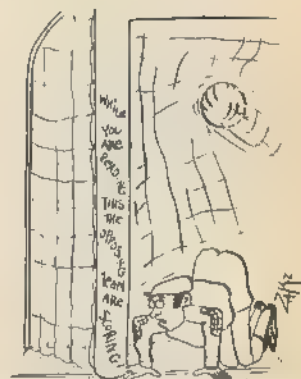
Right, DREW JARVIE — pipped Steve Archibald as top scorer in the League

DATE	OPPONENTS	RESULTS	SCORERS	GATE
Aug 11	Partick Thistle	(A) 0-1	Archibald, McMaster 2	4,000
Aug 18	Hibernian	(H) 3-0	McGhee, Harper, Archibald	11,000
Aug 25	Dundee Utd	(A) 3-1	Archibald, McMaster	10,982
Sep 8	Morton	(A) 2-3	McMaster, Strachan (pen), Rougvie	7,000
Sep 15	Rangers	(H) 3-1	Strachan	23,000
Sep 22	Celtic	(H) 1-2	Jarvie 2, Harper, Archibald	23,000
Sep 29	Dundee	(A) 4-0	Archibald, Harper	11,817
Oct 6	St Mirren	(A) 2-2	Scanlon, Strachan (pen), Jarvie	8,600
Oct 13	Kilmarnock	(H) 3-1	Davidson	12,000
Oct 20	Partick Thistle	(H) 1-1	Watson	14,000
Oct 27	Hibernian	(A) 1-1	McLeish	6,500
Nov 3	Dundee Utd	(H) 0-3	Archibald	11,000
Nov 10	Morton	(H) 1-2	McLeish, Hamilton	11,000
Nov 17	Rangers	(A) 1-0	Strachan, Archibald, Hamilton	5,000
Dec 15	St Mirren	(H) 2-0	Jarvie 3	18,000
Jan 5	Morton	(A) 0-1	Strachan	24,000
Jan 12	Rangers	(H) 3-2	Archibald	7,661
Jan 19	Celtic	(H) 0-0	Jarvie	8,900
Feb 2	Dundee	(A) 3-1	Archibald	10,000
Feb 9	St Mirren	(A) 1-1	Jarvie	10,000
Feb 23	Kilmarnock	(H) 1-2	Jarvie, Watson	10,000
Mar 1	Partick Thistle	(H) 1-1	Watson, Jarvis, Miller	6,500
Mar 15	Dundee Utd	(H) 2-1	Jarvie	19,850
Mar 19	Dundee	(H) 3-0	McGhee 2, Strachan, Kennedy	5,000
Mar 22	Morton	(H) 1-0	Jarvie, McGhee	11,000
Mar 29	Rangers	(A) 2-2	Strachan (pen), Jarvie	14,000
Apr 1	Kilmarnock	(A) 4-0	Watson	16,000
Apr 5	Celtic	(A) 2-1	Strachan (pen), McGhee, Archibald	4,000
Apr 7	Dundee	(H) 2-1	Archibald, McGhee, Strachan	48,000
Apr 16	Hibernian	(H) 1-1	Scanlon, Rougvie	19,000
Apr 19	Kilmarnock	(A) 3-1	Strachan	12,954
Apr 23	Celtic	(A) 3-1	Archibald, Watson, Scanlon 2, McGhee	12,921
Apr 26	St Mirren	(H) 2-0	McKinnon og	8,000
Apr 29	Dundee Utd	(A) 1-1		
May 3	Hibernian	(A) 5-0		
May 7	Partick Thistle	(A) 1-1		



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See if you can better this week's selection!

Sixteen-year-old Stuart Lawrence writes from Bootle Merseyside:

Uncle: I hear you play football for the school team now.

Boy: Yes, that's right, Uncle.

Uncle: And what position do you play?

Boy: I'm not quite sure, but I

FOOTBALL

must be important. I heard the master saying that I was the team's main drawback.

And from Scotland, John McKenzie (14), of Greenock, relates the tale of the Rangers fan who decided to go to the Celtic end for a laugh. He finished up in stitches!

Still on Rangers, a supporter refused to pay £1 to get into Ibrox Park to watch an Old Firm match. When asked why he would only offer to pay 50p, he replied: "It's quite simple. I only want to watch Rangers!"

Alan Houghton, of Bromley Cross, Bolton, Lancs, tells us about the Bolton fan who asked

... couldn't match



Scottish Premier Division

	HOME					AWAY				
	P	W	D	L	F A	P	W	D	L	F A
Aberdeen	36	18	4	4	38 18	8	6	3	38	18 48
Celtic	36	13	3	2	44 17	5	8	5	17	21 47
St Mirren	36	11	5	2	37 23	4	7	7	19	26 42
Dundee U.	36	9	7	2	23 8	3	6	9	28	24 37
Rangers	36	11	5	2	29 16	4	2	12	21	30 37
Morton	36	9	4	5	24 18	5	4	9	27	30 38
Partick	36	8	4	24	22	5	6	7	18	25 36
Kilmarnock	36	7	6	5	19 18	4	5	9	17	33 33
Dundee	36	9	3	6	33 30	1	3	14	16	43 26
Hibernian	36	5	4	7	23 31	8	2	16	6	36 19

SCORERS

Drew Jarvie	13
Steve Archibald	12
Gordon Strachan	10
Mark McGhee	7
Andy Watson	5
John McMaster	4
Ian Scanlon	4
Joe Harper	3
Derek Hamilton	2
Doug Rougvie	2
Alex McLeish	2
Willie Miller	1
Stuart Kennedy	1
Duncan Davidson	1
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Left: GORDON STRACHAN — a powerful part of Aberdeen's Championship drive.

JUNE BIRTHDAY TEAM

REFERENCE: A team of players born in June, from the 1950s to the 1990s, who have played in the top division of English football. The team is a mix of players who have played in the top division of English football, from the 1950s to the 1990s.



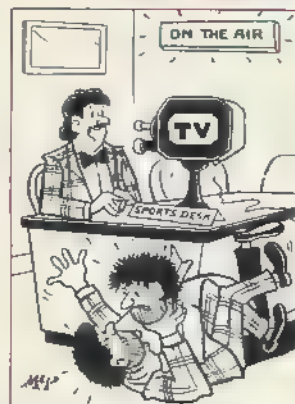
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Cartoon Time



I still don't think this is the right way to make a substitution!



A word of thanks to our two distinguished guests for that lively discussion on how to cure terracing vandalism!



I think I've just seen a player reading the rule-book.



It's a sudden death penalty competition to decide who gets retained for next season!

FUNNIES

a Manchester City fan: "Have you heard about Joe Corrigan joining Norwich?"
"Never" came the reply.
"Oh yes he has, mate. He has joined Norwich Union. He's fed up with having no cover!"
Stuart Lawrence (16), of Bootle, Merseyside, tells us of the supporter who went to Hampden Park to watch his beloved Scotland play England — and lose as we all now know! When he got home, his brother enquired: "Was it a big gate, Jock?"
"Och aye, it was Jimmy" came the reply. "One of the biggest I've ever had to climb over!"

**SUPER
SAVERS**

DAI DAVIES

(Wrexham and Wales)

No 16



THE DAY I HALTED HAMMERS

BIRTHPLACE: Ammanford. **BIRTHDATE:** April 1, 1949. **CAREER:** Swansea, Everton, Wrexham. **LEAGUE APPEARANCES:** 200. **INTERNATIONAL APPEARANCES:** 36.

MY GREATEST SAVE: Heavy rain, knee bowed stand out all in the space of a few seconds. We were trailing FA Cup Winners West Ham at Upton Park in the League on November 3. First I went full

length to my left to parry Billy Bonds' shot, then scrambled to my feet to push away Alvin Martin's rebound. But I'd hardly recovered before David Cross shot and I managed to dive forward and hold it.

Above: Dai Davies in action for Wales in the 4-1 Home International defeat over England.
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Spurs and Argentina star who writes for Match Weekly	9,11
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The team Kevin Keegan is to join when he returns to English League football	12
The team which has recently signed Steve Archibald from Aberdeen	7,8
Does this Coventry player pay his divi?	1,3
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YOUR QUIZ AND PUZZLE**HOW TO FIND THE NAME**

Put the initials or stated letters in the appropriate squares to identify the mystery player.

1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12

X Word

THERE are prizes galore on this week's HALF TIME page. In addition to the portable cassette radio player and five footballs being offered in the Spot the Difference competition (right), we are offering five more leather footballs in the crossword competition. Why not have a go? The questions are easy and the prizes absolutely FREE — so you've got nothing to lose.

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Clues Across

1. Hero of Wales, 4-1 win over England. (8,5)
6. Turn Hal Swain into a Palace attacker. (3, 5 anagram)
8. Turf Moor Tony.
9. QPR goal guardian.
10. Chelsea's Big Mick.
11. A team full of fighting ----- never gives up trying.
12. Like Frank Stapleton, he was born in Dublin and plays for Arsenal.
14. Cup game.
15. Could be Ball, Kennedy, Shoulder or Curbishley.
18. England winger currently with Real Madrid.
20. Yes, it's that Hartford fellow again!
21. He sells match tickets at inflated prices.
22. Wolves long-serving striker.
24. Luton goal-scorer who sounds like a non-flowering plant.
25. He's played well over 400 games for 19 down.

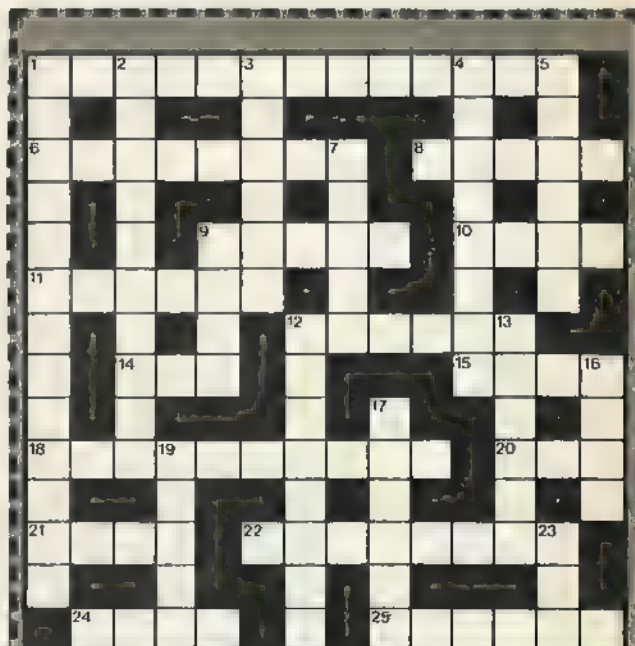
Clues Down

1. Second Division champions 1979-80. (9,4)
2. Persuade Nora Nibitt to turn out for Chelsea. (3,7 anagram)
3. He's played in the last three F.A. Cup Finals.
4. Argentina ace.
5. Talented Palace defender.
7. George Wood's rival at Everton.
9. WBA defender, formerly with Peterborough.
12. Kennedy the Kop king.
13. Road where you'll find Leeds United.
16. His name's an anagram of lean.
17. Quick ----- out of defence can often bring surprise goals.
19. ----- County.
23. Reverse a bus for the man on the bench. (anagram)

**5 FOOTBALLS
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The senders of the first five correct entries drawn from the postbag will each receive a super leather football — and all for the cost of a stamp.

Get your entry in the post as soon as possible — the closing date is June 21. The results will be announced in the July 5 issue.



Crossword No 39

Name _____ Age _____

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Win a cassette radio Free

CAN you spot the differences between the two cartoons on the right? Find them and you could win a superb portable cassette radio player absolutely free. That's the first prize in this week's Spot the Difference competition. And there are five top quality leather footballs to be won as runners-up prizes.

HOW TO ENTER: Our cartoonist has drawn A and then he has made 10 changes in cartoon B. It is up to you to spot them and mark them on cartoon B by putting a ring around them — preferably in a brightly coloured pen, such as red.

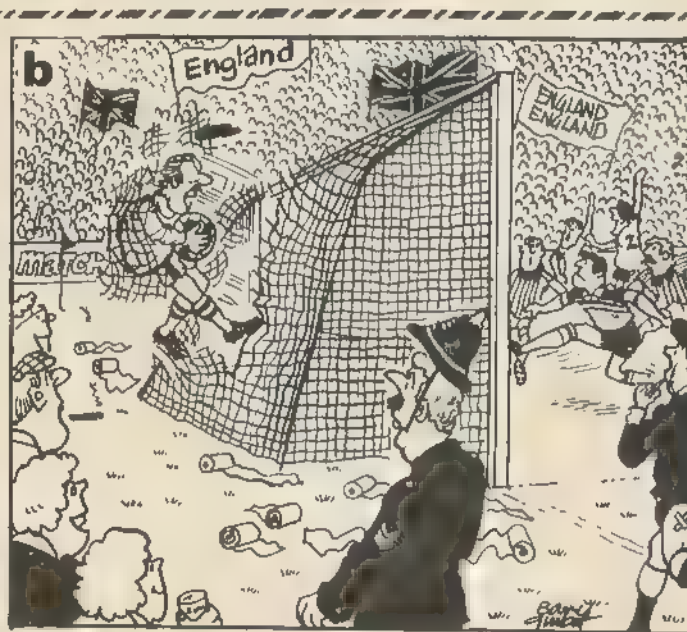
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SPOT THE DIFFERENCE



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IT'S QUIZ TIME

HOW'S your soccer knowledge? See how many of these questions you can answer correctly. If you get all 15 right you could be in the running for the Brain of Sport title, which our question compiler, Julian Pincher, held in 1978. Between 9 and 14 correct and you are a pretty knowledgeable fan.

1. Name the first team in the English Football League to gain promotion this season.
2. Which Aston Villa player scored a hat-trick in the first leg of this years F.A. Youth Cup?
3. Name the man who refereed the 1980 F.A. Cup Final.
4. From which Scottish club did Leeds

sign Joe Jordan?

5. With which club did Larry Lloyd begin his Football League career?
6. Identify the following clubs from their nicknames
a) The Latics b) The Bantams or Sky Blues c) The Diamonds
7. Which team knocked the holders Celtic out of the 1969 European Cup in the First Round?
8. Name the youngest goalkeeper to win a full cap for one of the home countries?
9. Which player scored on his debut for the England Under-21 team, in the First Leg of the Semi-Final of the European Under-21 Championships v

East Germany.

10. Which footballer played for West Ham in the 1964 F.A. Cup Final and against them in the 1975 F.A. Cup Final?
11. Who did St Mirren defeat to win the 1980 Anglo Scottish Cup?
12. Who scored the goal v Everton that took West Ham into the 1980 F.A. Cup Final?
13. Who captained the England Under-21 team for the first time, in the first leg of the Semi-Final of the European Championship v East Germany?
14. Name the first host country to fail to win the World Cup
15. Which English team won the first ever Anglo Italian Cup in 1969?



I'm your man says Burns

CAN SCOTLAND afford to ignore the mounting claims of Kenny Burns (left), following his major influence on Nottingham Forest's continuing European Cup glory?

It's a question being asked on both sides of the border as the brilliant Forest defender rediscovers the form that won him the Footballer of the Year title in 1978.

Said Burns "I would be very proud to be picked by Scotland again but all I can do is produce my best for Forest in the hope that it attracts the attention of Jock Stein.

"If I keep on helping to keep clean sheets for Forest then it

might work out but I know there are a lot of good players like Martin Buchan and Alan Hansen who are wanting the same place.

"I have the ability and if I can do it against the top club sides in Europe then I ought to be able to play the same way for Scotland."

And Burns also feels that Forest should now get the widespread acclaim they deserve following their 1-0 victory over Kevin Keegan's Hamburg in Madrid.

He added — "Winning the trophy for a second time ought to prove that we are a very good side. We had beaten some of the top teams in Europe and people ought to believe in us now."



Mackay moves back to rivals

DUNDEE'S decision to appoint Donald Mackay as their new manager will heighten the inter-city rivalry between them and the currently more successful Dundee United.

For while United boss Jim McLean moved a 100 yards down the road from his old club, Dundee are reversing the process. At one time Mackay was a goalkeeper with United!

Mackay, who is 40 returns to Scotland from Denmark on July 1 to start a two year contract with the success-starved Dens Park club.

"I have held a meeting of players and made it clear that no-one will be allowed to leave until I get a chance to study the potential of the present set-up. I have my own ideas, but they depend on what I have available around me."

Mackay has been coaching Danish club *Norresumby Boldklub* for the last three years. Before that he was player coach with Southend and youth coach with Bristol City.

He will stay with the Danish side until their mid season break and return to Scotland in time to take Dundee south for their pre-season build up.

FIFA referee Bob Valentine of Dundee is to be one of the six European Whistlers taking part in the Olympic Football tournament in Moscow next month.

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MORTON are the latest club to show interest in sweeper Jackie McNamara who has completed his contract with Hibs.

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STUART Kennedy, the former Scotland goalkeeper who was released by Rangers, has had an offer from Second Division side Alloa.

The older

KILMARNOCK'S uncanny knack of producing top-class goalkeepers for other clubs looks like repeating itself with Alan McCulloch.

At the ripe old age of 27 Alan is now a fully fledged member of Jock Stein's international squad. He is also the latest in a long line of Rugby Park players who have not only kept goal for their country but have moved to top clubs in the process.

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Spot the Difference
Solution: 1 Keepers cap now checked; 2 Match Weekly on billboard black; 3 Net appears under policeman's arm; 4 Stripes missing on defender's sock; 5 Coloured player has tooth missing; 6 Player on floor has tongue hanging out; 7 Billboard behind referee is darker; 8 Hoop on coloured player's shirt now black; 9 Policeman minus moustache; 10 Scorer's boots now black.

QUIZ ANSWERS

1. Walsall, 2. Trevor Ames, 3. George Courtney, 4. Morton, 5. Bristol Rovers, 6. a) Oldham b) Coventry City c) Airdrie, 7. Dynamo Kiev, 8.

Gary Sprake, 9. Justin Fashanu, 10. Bobby Moore, 11. Bristol City, 12. Frank Lampard, 13. Kenny Sansom, 14. France in 1938, 15. Swindon Town.

What's in a name solution

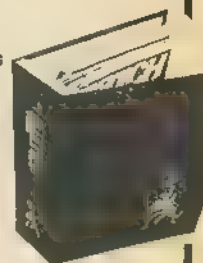
MICKY THOMAS

Winners of Spot the Difference No 14 were: Richard Hodgson, Selkington, Waltham, North Yorks YO17 5NP; Anton Pell, Aestey, Leicestershire; Paul Cook, Grimsby; South Humberstone; J. Procter, Tedworth, Surrey KT20 5QN; Janine Powell, Eastern Green, Coventry CV5 7NA; Richard Seymour, Peppard, Henley-on-Thames, Oxon. Each receive a copy of the *Richmans Book of Football League Records*.

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SCOT'S

Top man Sandy pays for prize

IT'S Player of the Year time again and that means awards for Scotland's top players.

Among the gifts received by Rangers right-back Sandy Jardine was a clock from a Rangers Supporters club in Winnipeg, in Canada who had elected him the Player of the Year.

The only problem was the Canadian fans had

under-estimated with the postage and Sandy had to cough up £10 before he could accept his prize.

Sandy and his Ibrox team mates, of course, will catch up with the Canadian admirers this week. Right now they are in the middle of a two week tour with matches in Calgary, Toronto, and Montreal. The other clubs taking part in the tournament are Nancy (France), Botofogo (Brazil) and Ascoli (Italy).



CELTIC'S £120,000 winger Dave Provan has finally signed a new two year contract with the club.

Provan has been considering a deal for some time amid rumours that top clubs Arsenal and Manchester United were about to bid for him but the news that he has re-signed effectively kills the speculation.

The future of midfield player Tommy Burns is not quite so certain. Man. City and Coventry are credited with an interest in the smooth moving Celt.

Left: Sandy Jardine (left) exchanges words with Celtic's Tommy Burns. Both are featured above.

the better

'Keepers improve with age, says Kilmarnock's Alan McCulloch

Names like Bobby Ferguson, Jimmy Brown, Campbell, Forsyth, Ally Hunter and Jim Stewart who joined Middlesbrough for £100,000 two years ago.

West Brom are the latest club to show interest in McCulloch who has played for the Scottish League and has been included in two Scotland pools.

"Actually, I served a long apprenticeship," says Alan. "I was 25 before I really established myself in the Kilmarnock first team. I had to wait five years in the shadow of Jim Stewart but I don't think it did me any harm whatsoever."

"I admit there were times when I did get frustrated but on reflection it gave me the chance to iron out faults in my game."

McCulloch did have a spell on loan to St. Mirren in 1978 and played 10 matches for the Love Street side but any chance to move was killed when Stewart was transferred to Middlesbrough.

Ironically the man Saints went for instead was Billy Thompson,



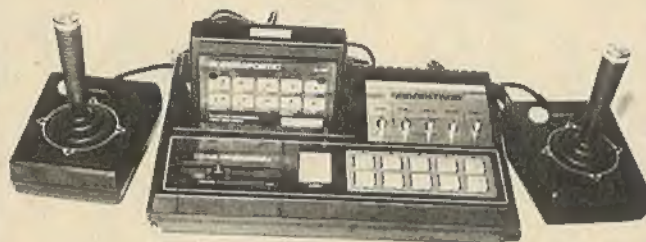
Alan McCulloch . . . another in a long line of great Kilmarnock 'keepers.

under-study to Alan Rough at Firhill. All three are now members of the Scotland squad.

"I know many would consider a player too old at 27 but 'keepers are in a different category. They actually improve with age. Just look at keepers like Dino Zoff as the best example."

"Of course I read about this club and that coming to watch me and obviously I am flattered. But it would have to be a very good offer for me to move."

PICK YOUR EURO TEAM and win a super T.V. game!



With all eyes on the European Championship, and everyone choosing their outstanding players, Match Weekly is inviting its readers to become international selectors.

We want you to choose a side to represent Europe in an imaginary challenge match against the World Champions Argentina. You are restricted in your choice of players to those from the eight teams competing in the European Championship, that is, England, Italy, West Germany, Holland, Greece, Belgium, Czechoslovakia, and Spain.

Points you must bear in mind are the current form of players and the balance of the team in a 4-3-3 formation. So while you are watching all the game on T.V. why not pick out possible selections and choose a team together with two substitutes and noting your Captain.

Team sheet will also be published in next week's issue so that you may enter different permutations. The entry that most corresponds with the editor's Euro XI, will win the super T.V. Computer game containing more than 20 various Video games. Five runner-up prizes of six-game TV Video Centres will also be awarded. Entries close Friday 27th June 1980.

Send all entries to: Match Weekly Euro XI Competition, 14, Holkham Road, Orton Southgate, Peterborough, PE2 0UF.

Remember to note alongside each player the initial of the country he represents, (E, I, WG, H, G, B, C, or S).

EURO XI TEAM SHEET

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Our men in Italy; above: reporter Paul Stratton and (below) photographer Duncan Cubitt.



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Real rapture

REAL Sociedad's marvellous season in the Spanish first division, in which they lost just one game in 34 as they finished runners-up to Real Madrid, was greeted with rapturous feeling by their San Sebastian fans. Although Madrid took the title the fans acclaimed their side as champions, claiming it was a moral victory. Final goalscorers in

Spanish first division: Quini (Sporting Gijon) 24, Santillana (Real Madrid) 23, Kempes (Valencia) 22.

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Spain, England's final opponents in their group games in the European Championship finals, continued their preparations for Italy with a creditable 2-2 draw in Copenhagen against Denmark.

Juanito stays as Madrid move in for Rummenigge

REAL Madrid's Spanish international winger Juanito has signed a new contract with the 20-times champions. But he has not got as good a contract as England's speedy winger Laurie Cunningham.

Juanito, a 25-year-old right winger who combines pace and trickery with an unpredictable temper, has re-signed for three more years at 25 million pesetas (about £200,000).

Cunningham's contract is believed to be worth 15 million pesetas a season (about £100,000).

The disparity between the two stars' salaries is one of the reasons behind the dissatisfaction felt by many other Real first teamers.

Meanwhile Madrid are keen to sign Bayern Munich's devastating international striker Karl-Heinz Rummenigge as replacement for Uli Stielike for next season.

Gunther Netzer, manager of Hamburg, has been shopping around for players to fill the gap that will be left next season when Kevin Keegan returns to English soccer with Southampton and has had a long chat with German international Stielike. And Stielike has already indicated that he wants a move home to Germany.

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**Fabulous colour from
England's 2-0 victory
over Scotland**

... World News ...

Exit Santos

THE BRAZILIAN championship has entered the final league phase with 16 teams competing for the Copa de Oro and one notable absentee — Santos.

The team that once ruled the world with Pele in the side was knocked out in the qualifying section by modest Joinville.

But Flamengo, with its new double spearhead of Zico and Nunes, avoided any problems. As did Vasco de Gama with Roberto and Jorge Mendonca.

The final 16 are: Flamengo, Vasco de Gama, Corinthians, Sao Paulo, Ponte Preta, Internacional P.A., Gremio, Botafago, At. Mineiro, Cruzeiro, Joinville, Fluminense, America R.J., Curitiba, Palmeiras and Ferroviaria.

Greek scandal

GREEK authorities have acted swiftly to stop the spreading of any bribery scandals to Italian proportions.

The President of the Iraklis club of Salonica in north Greece, Constantine Pertzinides (45), was sentenced to three years' imprisonment for attempted bribery after being arrested before the Greek cup semi finals.

Two of his accomplices in the scandal were each sentenced to two years imprisonment.

The prosecution said that the trio of soccer men attempted to bribe a player of Paok, a rival Salonica club and their semi final opponents, to sabotage his team's defence.

'I'll quit' threat by Maradona

ARGENTINA'S sensational footballer Diego Maradona is threatening to quit international football.

He is angry at the Argentinian authority's refusal to let him sign a £3 million contract with Spanish club Barcelona and was due to hand his country's FA a letter confirming his decision.

The Argentinians are determined to protect their interests in retaining the World Cup and in effect want to nationalise their new young superstar, but Maradona has threatened that if they do not let him go he will not be available for Spain in 1982.

Big spending Barcelona were in Vienna to watch both Maradona and Austrian international Hans Krankl during Argentina's 5-1 victory — and afterwards spoke to both players.

While they still plan to sign Maradona on a first option basis they remain hopeful Krankl will return to Spain at the end of the Austrian season.

Maradona underlined his claim to Johan Cruyff's mantle as the best player in the world with another mesmerising performance in Vienna.



Diego Maradona... 'I'll quit' threat

The teak-thighed 19-year-old whipped in a marvellous hat-trick in the World Champions' third and final game on their European tour. It left them with two wins and one defeat — their 3-1 beating at Wembley.

They won 1-0 in Dublin against a depleted Eire before they travelled to Vienna.

Argentina's other goals on tour came from Luque and Santamaria (in Vienna), Valencia (in Dublin), and Passarella (at Wembley).

match makers

MIKE THOMAS

Man United and Wales

FULL NAME: Mike Thomas
BIRTHPLACE/DATE: Mochre, July 7, 1954.
MARRIED: Yes, to Debbie.
CHILDREN: A son, Aaron (10 weeks).
PREVIOUS CLUBS: Wrexham, joined them straight from Colwyn High School.
CLUB NICKNAME: Mickey
WORST EVER INJURY: Pulled muscle this season kept me out for 6 weeks.
FAVOURITE FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYER: Glenn Hoddle — talented in midfield and scores great goals.
FAVOURITE OTHER TEAMS: Wrexham, Everton.
FAVOURITE FOREIGN PLAYERS: Mannie Kaitz of Hamburg, so difficult to mark, Diego Maradona, the best I've seen since Pele.
BEST ALL TIME BRITISH TEAM: Banks, Cohen, Charlton J. Moore, Wilson; Brady, Ball, Keegan; Best, Law, Young.
BEST ALL TIME INTERNATIONAL TEAM: Banks, Wilson, Charlton J. Moore (England), Facchetti (Italy); Gerson (Brazil), Maradona (Argentina), Rivelino (Brazil); Best (N Ireland), Cruyff (Holland), Pele (Brazil).
FAVOURITE AWAY GROUND: As a Welshman, I'll say Wembley!
BEST GOAL SCORED: Diving header from a Steve Coppell cross at Middlesbrough.
BEST GOAL SEEN SCORED: Glenn Hoddle's volley against us at White Hart Lane.
MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENTS: Phil Neal (Liverpool), John Gidman (Everton).
MOST MEMORABLE MATCH: The 1979 Cup semi-final replay against Liverpool, when I supplied the cross for Jimmy Greenhoff's winner.
MAGIC MOMENT IN FOOTBALL: The final whistle in the above match.
BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: Losing the 1979 FA Cup Final against Arsenal.
FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS: Tennis, Snooker.
MISCELLANEOUS LIKES: Driving, walking with my family on the beach at my home in North Wales.
MISCELLANEOUS DISLIKES: Smoking, drunks.
FAVOURITE TV SHOW: Sports programmes, Jim'll Fix it, Tiswas.
TV SHOW YOU ALWAYS SWITCH OFF: Stars on Sunday.
FAVOURITE READING: Sports magazines.
FAVOURITE SINGER: Bryan Ferry
FAVOURITE FOOD: Cornflakes, steak.
FAVOURITE DRINK: Wine.
BEST COUNTRIES VISITED: Sweden, Switzerland.
FAVOURITE ACTORS/ACTRESS: Paul Newman, Robert Redford, Barbra Streisand.
BEST FILM SEEN IN PAST YEAR: The Hills Have Eyes.
BEST FRIENDS: They're all good friends at United.
BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON MY CAREER: Richard Dodd, my sports master at school and John Neal, former Wrexham manager, now at Middlesbrough.
WHAT I DON'T LIKE ABOUT FOOTBALL: Heavy grounds.
SUPERSTITIONS: Before every match I put my boots on three times!
PRE-MATCH MEAL: Cornflakes.
INTERNATIONAL HONOURS: 21 caps for Wales.
PERSONAL AMBITION: Play the rest of my career in the First Division and finish at the top.
PROFESSIONAL AMBITION: To win the championship with United.
CAREER AFTER PLAYING: To run a seaside hotel.
PLAYER FOR THE FUTURE: Andy Ritchie, a nice lad with a great future at Old Trafford.
WHO I WOULD MOST LIKE TO MEET: The Queen.



Mike Thomas